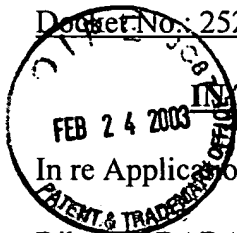


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A Notice of Allowance has been issued in the application. It is requested that the documents be expressly considered during continued examination of this application, and that the documents be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

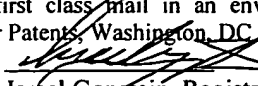
This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination.

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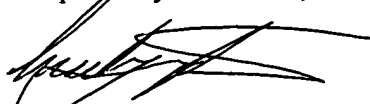
Having thus complied with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97(b)(1)-(3), it is respectfully submitted that consideration of the instant Information Disclosure Statement is in order and the same is courteously requested.

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